

Appendix 1: State Energy Efficiency Programs for Schools

Agency	Program	Description	Who to Contact
California Energy Commission	Bright Schools Program	<p>Assists school districts in identifying ways to reduce energy use in its facilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Detailed feasibility studies/ energy audits by engineering consultants – Follow-up implementation assistance – New construction design review – Project proposal and/or design review – Assistance in selection of Energy Services Company and other contractors <p>Services available at little or no cost.</p>	<p>Judy Brewster, 916-654-4053 Claudia Orlando, 916-653-5285</p> <p>Web site: www.energy.ca.gov/efficiency/brightschools/index.html</p>
California Energy Commission	Energy Efficiency Financing Program	<p>Provides low-interest rate loans to finance energy efficiency improvements. The current interest rate is 4%. The maximum loan to any school district is \$2 million.</p>	<p>Judy Brewster, 916-654-4053 Claudia Orlando, 916-653-5285</p> <p>Web site: www.energy.ca.gov/efficiency/financing/index.html</p>
California Energy Commission	Cool Savings Program	<p>Provides incentives of \$0.15/square foot for the installation of “cool” roof materials.</p>	<p>Leif Christiansen, 916-448-1198, ext 320</p> <p>Web site: www.consumerenergycenter.org/coolroof/</p>

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Collaborative for High Performance Schools (CHPS)		<p>This collaborative consists of state agencies, utilities, school districts and others. The purpose is to increase the performance of California schools and to facilitate the design of high performance schools.</p> <p>Best Practices Manual for designing high performance schools can be obtained from their web site.</p>	<p>Collaborative for High Performance Schools Toll Free 877-642-CHPS</p> <p>Web site: www.chps.net</p>
State and Consumer Services Agency (SCSA)	Energy Education Program -- SCSA received SB 5x funding to implement programs to teach school children about energy conservation in the home and at school.	<p>The SCSA is sponsoring a number of different energy conservation programs for K-12 students, teachers, administrators, and facility operators. Among others, activities include partnerships with the California Science Center, the California Arts Council, the Alliance to Save Energy, and the California Association of Student Councils. The SCSA also developed the Kids' Flex Your Power Energy Challenge, an energy awareness activity kit designed for 4th, 5th, and 6th graders. The activity kit includes energy conservation lessons and facts, on-line resources, and a take home energy audit homework assignment.</p>	<p>To learn more about SCSA programs and partnerships, visit their website at www.scsa.ca.gov or contact Sarah Lauridson at (916) 651-8792.</p>